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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)

BENJAMIN PLESS, *et al.*)

Examiner: M. PEFFLEY

Application No.: 09/614,991)

Art Unit: 3739

Filed: July 12, 2000)

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD)
FOR ABLATING TISSUE)

**ELECTION AND RESPONSE
TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed February 1, 2002, Applicants hereby elect Group I directed to claims 1-39 and 85-87. Applicants further elect the species of Figs. 71-73 which read on claims 1-4, 6-23, 25, 26, 28-39, 87 and new claims 115-139. Please cancel claims 40-84.

Please add new claims 115-139 as follows:

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115. A method of ablating cardiac tissue, comprising the steps of:
providing an ablating device having at least one ultrasonic transducer, the device
emitting focused ultrasound which is focused in at least one dimension;
positioning the ablating device in contact with cardiac tissue; and

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